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SUBJECT: TRADE COMPLAINT: NON-SHIMWHF
OF GOODS

REF: STATE 215052, 1973

1. FOLLOWING TRADE COMPLAINT BY LOCAL FIRM AGAINST AMERICAN
SUPPLIER
INVOLVES NON-SHIPMENT OF WRONG GOODS, AND JEOPARDIZES
POTENTIAL TRADE BETWEEN THIS FIRM AND ANOTHER AMERICAN SUPPLIER
TOTALING APPROXIMATELY THREE THOUSAND DOLLARS. CONSULATE
FAILURE TO HANDLE THIS COMPLAINT WOULD BE DETRIMENTAL TRADE
PROMOTION EFFORT AND PREJUDICE FUTURE EFFORTS THIS COMMERCIALY-
ORIENTED CONSULATE.

2. ETS MANUAL INDUSTRIAL" COMMERCIAL ENTERPRISES, B.P. 689,
DOUALA, CALLED CONSOFF TO LODGE COMPLAINT AGAINST MAVITEX
TEXTILES COMPANY, P.O. BOX 315, EVERETT, MASS., STATING THAT
M.I." C.E. HAD PLACED ORDER NOVEMBER FIFTEENTH FOR "THREE
THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED POUNDS COTTON MISDYES" FOR WHICH THEY
SENT DEPOSIT OF DOLLARS EIGHT HUNDRED ONE AND FORTY CENTS.
MAVITEX REPLIED EARLY DECEMBER, STATING THEY UNABLE SUPPLY
COTTON MISDYES, BUT COULD SENT LEATHERETTE. M.I. "C.E. THEN
REQUESTED MAVITEX TO FORWARD DEPOSIT OF DOLS 801.40 TO TRANS-
AMERICAS TRADING CO., 116-122 WEST STREET, BROOKLYN, N.Y.,
WHO AGREED TO SUPPLY CLOTH. MAVITEX REPLIED THEY HAD ALREADY
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SHIPPED LETHERETTE ON S.S. DEIDO, WHICH ARRIVED DOUALA THIRD

MARCH WITHOUT ANY GOODS CONSIGNED FROM MAVITEX OR FOR M.I. " C.E.

3. M.I. " C.E. HAS WRITTEN MAVITEX THREE TIMES REQUESTING CLARIFICATION, WITH NO REPLY TO DATE. ALTHOUGH THEY DO NOT WANT LETHERETTE, THEY WOULD HAVE ACCEPTED SHIPMENT HAD IT ARRIVED. SINCE IT DID NOT, THEY AGAIN STRONGLY REQUEST MAVITEX EITHER TO FORWARD DEPOSIT TO TRANS-AMERICAS, WITH WHOM M.I. "C.E. PLANS PLACE ORDERS TOTALLING APP. DOLS THREE THOUSAND THIS QUARTER, OR RETURN DEPOSIT TO THEM HERE.

4. CONSULATE REQUESTS USDOC CONTACT MR. WHITE, MAVITEX, FOR CLARIFICATION STATUS OF LEATHERETTE SHIPMENT. IF UNSHIPED, REQUEST YOU REITERATE TO MR. WHITE THEY DESIRE OF M.I. " C.E. THAT DEPOSIT BE RETURNED OR FORWARDED TRANS-AMERICAS. IF SHIPPED, REQUEST WE BE ADVISED NAME OF VESSEL AND ETA DOUALA. COOK

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